

REMARKS

This paper include for preliminary amendments is for submission of preliminary amendments and remarks for entry and consideration, and is responsive in any other manner indicated below.

PENDING CLAIMS

Claims 1-20 were pending in the application at the time of filing. At entry of this paper, Claims 1-21 will be pending in the application and represent claims for further consideration and examination in the application.

EXAMINER INVITED TO TELEPHONE

The Examiner is herein invited to telephone the undersigned attorneys at the local Washington, D.C. area telephone number of 703/312-6600 for discussing any Examiner's Amendments or other suggested actions for accelerating prosecution and moving the present application to allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims listed above as presently being under consideration in the application are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of such claims is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

including extension of time fees and excess claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135
(referencing case No. 219.38405X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit
account.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul J. Skwierawski".

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